



Blackburn To Celebrate 50th Annual Madrigal Feast November 19

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CARLINVILLE - The Blackburn College Department of Music & Theatre is excited to announce its annual Madrigal event on Friday, November 19 in Bothwell Auditorium.

For one weekend every year, Blackburn is transformed into a candlelit world of castles, knights, royalty, music, and revelry. This year, the performance will start at 7:00 pm and will include speeches, singing, as well as several skits directed by Tim Conner, a senior Theatre major. In place of the traditional dinner, all guests in attendance will receive a special bag of treats at the conclusion of the performance.

“The Madrigal Dinner is a celebration of Renaissance music and ushers in the holiday season,” Dr. Joseph Welch, professor of music at Blackburn and director of the event, explained. “Our Royal Court and Jester will keep audiences entertained with merriment and mirth.”

BLACKBURN COLLEGE
DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC AND THEATRE
PRESENTS THE

50th Annual
**MADRIGAL
EVENT**

November 19th at 7pm

Ticket Prices

General Admission: \$25

Faculty/Staff: \$10

Students: Free

All Tickets Must Be Reserved In Advance

To purchase tickets, contact us:
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This will be the 50th anniversary of the Blackburn College holiday tradition overall, however, due to COVID-19, last year marked the first time the performance was conducted virtually and only streamed online. Welch is excited about the return of live musical performances to campus, and especially for the in-person Madrigal event.

Tickets and masks are required for the event. To order tickets or learn more information, contact the Music Office at (217) 854-5704 or email music@blackburn.edu. It is \$25 for a General Admission ticket, \$10 for faculty and staff of the college, and free for students. Don't miss this great opportunity for a night of entertainment and fun for all ages.

About Blackburn College

Founded in 1837, Blackburn College is a four-year, Presbyterian-related, co-educational liberal arts college located in Carlinville, IL. One of only ten federally-recognized Work Colleges, Blackburn has the only program in the nation fully managed by students. Balancing academic rigor and experiential learning, each student at Blackburn gains tangible experience and develops critical skills by contributing to their community, all while building a resume and earning their degree. U.S. News & World Report recognized Blackburn College as one of the top Liberal Arts Colleges in the Nation for Social Mobility in their Best Colleges lists for 2020, 2021, and 2022. The Center for Education & the Workforce at Georgetown University ranked Blackburn as a top performer for Earnings-Price Return - 209% (#1 in IL, #10 in the U.S.) and Net Price (#1 in IL; #11 in the U.S.). The Washington Monthly twice ranked Blackburn as the best baccalaureate college in Illinois.